

Public Utilities Commission

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Response Requested by April 3, 2023

February 1, 2023

To: California Broadband Providers

Subject: Request for Broadband Deployment and Subscription Data as of Dec. 31, 2022

Pursuant to legislation, including SB 156, SB 4, AB 41, SB 28, and AB 2752 codified in Public Utilities Code Sections 281(b)(4), 281.6 and 5895, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC or Commission) is authorized to collect information from broadband service providers. As such, all communications providers certificated and/or registered with the CPUC shall submit annually to the Communications Division by April 3, broadband subscriber and deployment data as of the end of the prior calendar year in a form designated by Communications Division Staff (see below).

Broadband data is to be submitted in the formats, and with the tools, available on the <u>Broadband</u> Mapping Program website.

- 1. Fixed Broadband Deployment Data:
 - All Fixed Broadband providers must submit Deployment data by ONE of the following formats:
 - i. KMZ/Shapefile(s) containing Serviceable Locations (see below) and maximum advertised speeds per technology in a .zip file

OR

ii. .csv containing your **Serviceable Location addresses** and **maximum advertised speeds per technology**

OR

- iii. KMZ/Shapefile(s) containing Serviceable Locations in a .zip file and a matching .csv containing maximum advertised speeds per technology
- 2. Fixed Broadband Subscription Data:
 - All Fixed Broadband Subscriber data must be submitted by service address/location in .csv format.
- 3. Pricing of Residential Service:
 - a. All Providers of Residential Broadband service must submit non-promotional, unbundled pricing data at standard pricing for the tier of broadband service closest to 25/3 (download/upload) and the pricing for the maximum bandwidth offered to customers by .xlsx in a .zip file.
- 4. Mobile Broadband Providers:

a. Mobile Broadband Providers must submit broadband subscriber data by Census Tract, while providing shapefiles of the areas in which they provide service, using the Broadband Upload Tool. Please place the shapefiles in .zip files for upload.

All applicable Fixed Broadband data must be submitted using the **Broadband Upload Tool**.

The definition of "Serviceable Locations" in reference to the Broadband Data Collection is locations where providers have built out their broadband network infrastructure and to which they either currently provide service or could perform a standard broadband installation. A standard installation is defined in the Broadband DATA Act as "[t]he initiation by a provider of fixed broadband internet access service [within 10 business days of a request] in an area in which the provider has not previously offered that service, with no charges or delays attributable to the extension of the network of the provider."

Submissions shall reflect actual service availability. Specifically, locations where a provider has indicated they will not be able to provide service to a prospective customer – for reasons such as network limitations, construction barriers, line of site issues, etc. – shall not be represented as being served. Submissions shall reflect where consumers have successfully challenged availability (i.e., on the National Broadband Map). Submissions shall not include "buffer zones" where networks can theoretically be extended, but shall reflect the ability to provide service within 10 business days of a request and service availability.

Locations where broadband is not available at served speeds of at least 25 Mbps download and 3 Mbps upload may be eligible for a <u>California Advanced Services Fund (CASF)</u> grant to offset the costs of deploying network infrastructure. Failure to submit data accurately and timely risks your coverage areas not being included on the <u>California Interactive Broadband Map</u>, which could potentially open those areas to CASF grants.

Confidentiality of submitted data

If you seek confidential treatment of any information provided in response to this request, please comply with the provisions of the Commission's <u>General Order 66 D</u> with regard to procedures for submission of information to the California Public Utilities Commission with claims of confidentiality.

How to submit your data

Your fixed and mobile Broadband Data can <u>only</u> be submitted via <u>the Broadband Data Upload Tool</u> once you have logged in or created an account. All Fixed Broadband data must be submitted in the aforementioned formats without exception.

Please submit the requested data no later than Monday, April 3, 2023.

Send any questions or comments to <u>broadbandmapping@cpuc.ca.gov</u>

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Sincerely,

/s/ Selena Huang Program Manager Broadband, Video and Market Branch Communications Division